

## National Science Foundation

## § 670.3

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## Subpart A—Introduction

### § 670.1 Purpose of regulations.

The purpose of the regulations in this part is to conserve and protect the native mammals, birds, plants, and invertebrates of Antarctica and the ecosystem upon which they depend and to implement the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, Public Law 95-541, as amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism, and Conservation Act of 1996, Public Law 104-227.

### § 670.2 Scope.

The regulations in this part apply to:

- (a) Taking mammals, birds, or plants native to Antarctica.
- (b) Engaging in harmful interference of mammals, birds, invertebrates, or plants native to Antarctica.
- (c) Entering or engaging in activities within Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.
- (d) Receiving, acquiring, transporting, offering for sale, selling, purchasing, importing, exporting or having custody, control, or possession of any mammal, bird, or plant native to Antarctica that was taken in violation of the Act.
- (e) Introducing into Antarctica any member of a non-native species.

### § 670.3 Definitions.

In this part:

*Act* means the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, Public Law 95-541 (16 U.S.C. 2401 *et seq.*) as amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism, and Conservation Act of 1996, Public Law 104-227.

*Antarctic Specially Protected Area* means an area designated by the Antarctic Treaty Parties to protect outstanding environmental, scientific, historic, aesthetic, or wilderness values or to protect ongoing or planned scientific research, designated in subpart F of this part.

*Antarctica* means the area south of 60 degrees south latitude.